

Use of polyelectrolytes in leather production

Abstract

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A process for the production of semifinished products and intermediates in the production of leather using one or more organic polyelectrolytes comprises at least one of the following steps:

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(a) Addition of one or more polyelectrolytes and from 0 to 0.7% by weight, based on the salted weight, of lime immediately before or during liming,

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(b) addition of one or more polyelectrolytes before or during deliming,

(c) addition of one or more polyelectrolytes before or during bating,

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(d) addition of one or more polyelectrolytes and a total of from 0 to 3% by weight, based on the pelt weight, of alkali metal or alkaline earth metal salt immediately before or in the pickle.

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